

*of Central Intelligence.*

Allen Dulles' death is a great personal sadness. As my chief for eight years and my friend and counselor for many more, I remember him particularly for his warmth, his courtesy and understanding, his many interests and deep knowledge, his wisdom, and above all, this extraordinary capacity for friendship. His loss is irreparable.

As a national leader he deserves our deepest respect and admiration. His contribution to the establishment of the American intelligence service as it exists today was unique. His energy, his foresight, his breadth of experience, his unnumerable friends at home and abroad all supported him in his distinctive roles, first in the front line of operations during war-time in Switzerland, secondly as one of the principal architects of the country's post-war intelligence establishment and finally as a distinguished Director of Central Intelligence.

During the years he led the Agency by doing, Allen Dulles saw and talked with innumerable acquaintances, even individuals he hardly knew. Whenever we raised a question about this expenditure of his precious time, he would give us his booming laugh, then become serious for a moment, "When I was a young attaché at the American Legation in Bern during World War I, an insignificant little man called one day to see someone in authority. I was scheduled to play tennis so had no time for him. Somewhat later I learned that man was Lenin. If I had seen him, who knows what the results might have been."

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Perhaps most important of all were the principles to which Mr. Dulles dedicated his life. He was inspired by what to him were the lasting American traditions of freedom, justice and tolerance. He clearly saw his career in intelligence as service to these principles. It was his deepest conviction that the American Government and people should know the truth and that the truth would make and keep them free. It was for this that he worked so hard and long to build a professional American intelligence corps. His many achievements in public life and foreign service are a lasting memorial to these principles.